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Damage suffered by State Governments due to Natural Calamities and Demands for Additional Central Assistance during **1991-92**

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	State	additonal demand for natural calamities	Estimated damage (Provisional)	Central share of Calamity Relief Fund released
1	Andhra Pradesh	43·50 (Loan)	455·00	49·21
2	Gujarat	606·00	Not reported	47·82
3	Karnataka	135·00	146·00	20·25
4	Kerala	284·00	353·00	17·43
5	Maharashtra	970·00	Not reported	24·75
6	Orissa	249·00	214·00	29·76
7	Pondicherry	24·00	23·00	1·60
8	Tamil Nadu	389·00	502·00	29·25
9	Tripura	23·00	17·00	2·25
10	Madhya Pradesh	220·00	Not reported	20·81

Soyabean Production

2283. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the prospects of soyabean crop this year as compared to other countries;

(b) the details of the land under soyabean cultivation, State-wise; and

(c) what are the details of steps taken/proposed to be taken to ensure a remunerative price to growers and increase the export of soyabean?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) It is too early to indicate soyabean production in the country as the final estimates of 1991-92 have not yet become due from the States. However, the estimates of production of soyabean during 1990-91 (latest available) in respect of major producing countries including India are given below:

(Million Tonnes)

Country	Production of soyabean in 1990-91 (forecast)
United States	52·3
Brazil	17·3
China	11·5
Argentina	10·5
India*	2·4

Source: Food outlook Report of FAO for the month of April 1991,

*Official Final Estimate,

(b) Statement is attached (*See* below)

(c) Soyabean is not covered under the minimum support prices scheme and export of soyabean oilseed is not allowed under the existing export policy 1990-93.

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Estimates of area of soyabean during **1990-91** *State-wise*

State/Union Territories	Area (Thousand Hectares)
1	2
Andhra Pradesh	0·3
Arunachal Pradesh	1·8
Gujarat	12·9
Himachal Pradesh	0·5
Karnataka	12·4
Madhya Pradesh	1959·9
Maharashtra	200·0
Meghalaya	1·0
Nagaland	2·0
Orissa	1·3

1	2
Rajasthan	144·1
Sikkim	4·7
Uttar Pradesh	23·9
West Bengal	0·5
All India	2365·3

Fertilizer pricing system

2284. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the dual pricing system for fertiliser has been implemented in Andhra Pradesh; if so, what is the procedure; and

(b) the number of small and marginal farmers likely to be benefited by this scheme; and the amount spent so far districtwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) The State Government has not so far begun implementation of the scheme on Fertiliser Subsidy for small and marginal farmers.

Production of pulses in Madhya Pradesh

2285. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that Madhya Pradesh plays a significant role in the production of pulses in the country;

(b) if so, what is the annual total contribution by the State in this regard; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to increase the production of pulses in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Pulses production in Madhya Pradesh reached 2.5 million tonnes in 1989-90, about 20 per cent of the total pulse production in the country.

(c) The Centrally Sponsored National Pulses Development Programme (NPDP) is being implemented which cover assistance for multiplication and dstribution of seeds, frontline and general demonstrations, plant protection measures, supply of improved farm implements and distribution of rhyzobium culture.

A Special foodgrain Production Programme for Pulses has also been taken up for control of pests and for encouraging cultivation of summer-pulses.

Delhi Milk Scheme

2286. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Milk Scheme have made payments worth 4 crore of rupees to bogus cooperative societies during the past few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that there is resentment amongst workers of Delhi Milk Scheme because of such payments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K. C. LENKA): (a) and (b) The arrear payments made to Delhi Milk Cooperative Societies by Delhi Milk Scheme during the last few years are as under:—